

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Call to Order: Chair Joe Balyeat, on February 1, 2011 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 422
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Joe Balyeat, Chair (R)
Sen. Verdell Jackson, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Tom Facey (D)
Sen. Frederick "Eric" Moore (R)
Sen. Carmine Mowbray (R)
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)
Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Linda Keim, Committee Secretary
Pat Murdo, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 232, 1/28/2011
Executive Action: SB 223, 1/28/2011 (Not completed)
Training on Administrative Rules: Presented by Todd Everts, Legislative Services Division

HEARING ON SB 232

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:30 Sen. Jim Keane (D), SD 38, opened the hearing on SB 232, Transfer state fund management of worker's compensation old fund to successful bidder.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:17 Gary Matthews, Victory Insurance Company (VIC)

00:04:21 Bruce Spencer, Property and Casualty Insurance Company of America (PCI)

00:05:15 Jacqueline Lenmark, American Insurance Association (AIA)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:08:12 Nancy Butler, Montana State Fund

Informational Testimony:

00:12:37 Mark Cadwallader, Staff Attorney, Department of Labor and Industry (DOLI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:13:07 Sen. Facey

00:15:49 Mark Barry, Montana State Fund

00:16:21 Chairman Balyeat

00:16:27 Mr. Barry

00:16:39 Sen. Tropila

00:17:10 Mr. Barry, redirect, without objection

00:17:28 Ms. Butler

00:18:00 Sen. Facey

00:18:40 Ms. Butler

00:18:58 Chairman Balyeat

00:19:20 Ms. Butler

00:20:29 Sen. Tropila

00:20:17 Sen. Keene

00:21:48 Sen. Vuckovich

00:21:53 Sen. Keene

00:22:46 Sen. Facey

00:23:27 Sen. Keene

00:23:37 Sen. Mowbray

00:24:18 Mr. Cadwallader

00:26:06 Sen. Tropila

00:27:04 Sen. Keene

00:28:42 Chairman Balyeat

00:28:55 Ms. Butler

00:29:45 Ms. Lenmark

00:31:30 Chairman Balyeat

Closing by Sponsor:

00:31:40 Sen. Keane
00:32:00 Chairman Balyeat
00:32:30 Ms. Murdo, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:32:50 Chairman Balyeat left the room, Vice Chairman Jackson assumed the Chair

Training on Administrative Rules:

00:34:00 Todd Everts, Legislative Services Division
[EXHIBIT\(bus25a01\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(bus25a02\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(bus25a03\)](#)
00:43:25 Vice Chairman Jackson
00:43:35 Mr. Everts
00:44:35 Sen. Facey
00:45:05 Mr. Everts
00:47:18 Vice Chairman Jackson
00:47:35 Mr. Everts
00:48:10 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy
00:49:19 Mr. Everts
00:51:15 Sen. Moore
00:52:20 Mr. Cadwallader, (DOLI)
00:54:17 Vice Chairman Jackson
00:55:50 Mr. Cadwallader

00:56:49 Sen. Balyeat returned

00:58:03 Vice Chairman Jackson
01:00:35 Mr. Cadwallader
01:03:23 Mr. Everts
01:04:25 Sen. Moore
01:04:40 Mr. Everts
01:05:40 Ms. Murdo, LSD
01:06:24 Vice Chairman Jackson

01:06:35 Sen. Balyeat resumed the position of Chairman

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 223

01:07:12 **Motion:** Sen. Facey moved that **SB 223 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:07:35 Chairman Balyeat
01:07:38 Ms. Murdo

01:09:41 **Motion:** Sen. Balyeat moved that **SB 223 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(bus25a04)

Discussion:

01:10:44 Chairman Balyeat
01:10:58 Ms. Murdo
01:11:26 Chairman Balyeat
01:13:09 Vice Chairman Jackson
01:13:42 Chairman Balyeat
01:14:00 Ms. Murdo
01:14:34 Chairman Balyeat
01:15:03 Ms. Murdo
01:15:24 Chairman Balyeat
01:15:33 Sen. Facey
01:15:59 Sen. Mowbray
01:16:10 Chairman Balyeat

Other Discussion:

01:16:55 Chairman Balyeat
01:17:00 Vice Jackson Jackson
01:17:09 Chairman Balyeat
01:17:15 Sen. Tropila
01:17:52 Chairman Balyeat

Note: Executive Action on SB 223 was not completed this date. See 2/3/11 for more Executive Action and conclusion of Do Pass As Amended.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:20 A.M.

Linda Keim, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([bus25aad.pdf](#))